

I protested when you try to lessen the regulations that limited the amount of stations one company could control and this is just one proof that I was right. Sinclair Broadcasting's move to have their stations run an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard.

I did not add or change the text of this letter much because it pretty much said what needs to be said. I think this kind of media is exactly what we don't need. Propaganda of this type is not good for our country in fact it is destructive of the very things that so many including Mr. Kerry have fought to protect. I am a registered republican and my statements are not partisan by any means. What's right is right, what's wrong is wrong and what's illegal should be treated as such.

Thank you.